
Title: A Mortal End

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He, like any other boy wanted all. Growing up in the world when evil was at a peak. As a young man Odius Lancefern fell in love with a maiden on his father's land. His father told him never dare contemplate marriage or he shall be disowned. Angry at his father and at the ripe age of eighteen, young Lancefern left his noble life to join the army serving the Power of Light. Through the ranks he rose and gained respect. He was a powerful mage fighting at the fore of many battles gaining many rewards. Odius all but forgot he old life until he was called there to fight. He arrived finding the estate burned, people slaughtered. His family remained alive however raising suspicion. His father told him it was luck but Odius' heart knew better. A glimmer caught the young mans eye. A pendant, a pendant of one of the Dark Gods! "Treacherous villan!" were the words cried as Odius drove his dagger through his father's heart. He ran. He ended up at the former home of his once beautiful love. Upon the ruins he found her, raped, throat slashed. Eyes growing in anger he shouted: "Powers of Light!

Give me the strength to crush this Dark God!" A calm settled. Birds chirped. From the ashes of the battlefield came a being. The answer was upon the young mage..but that answer was not what he thought he would get.

Years went by as Odius and the nameless being trained. He smiled upon his teacher as he mastered the arcane arts (Dark Arts of Daemon Lore). As time passed Odius became disobedient and eventually left the Army to pursue his revenge. The day came when he felt it was time to engage the Dark God. The following is what is thought to have taken place: "Light guide me. It is time do you not agree?" "Ahh..child time...*soft chuckle* Time indeed.

A gust of wind surrounded Odius and upon opening his eyes he saw that they stood in the remnants of a newly fought battle. Ahead of him stood a man clad in black armor.

"Why are we here?"

"The time has come to realize the truth behind

Close your eyes.

are."
"I don't understand.. Is that my enemy.. Is that

what you and all mortals

the Dark God?"
The figure slowly turns and rushes Odius, sword drawn, he passes through him and disapears.

"By the Gods! What was that!!?!?!"

"That my child is your heart and every mortals heart alike. Your Dark God is just the excuse in

twisted darkness of your heart seem right. Look to the ground before you! The pendent your father wore when you killed him. Your family crest. You saw the village in flames and knew your love was slain. You hated your father so much that it was easy to lay the blame on him. I have never seen such eyes as yours when one has killed." "Noooooooo!! I... I won't believe it!" "The mortal weakness of greed has left you mortals to chaos. You lack the strength to admit this and blame it on False Dark Gods! There is no Light child and now you are mine. Trained in my way, I Zemus, shall have my child." In a flash Zemus was upon Odius and the embrace was completed.

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The young mage was no more. He had been delivered into the hands of what he so sought to destroy. Into Death a child was born, and the story of Odius comes to a mortals end.